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REMARKS _____

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1. On 1 August 1953, 11 x 76-mm field guns, 30 trucks and 1 sedan, _____

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were detained at the Neustrelitz railroad station and subsequently left toward
Grenzitz. _____ 1

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2. At about 11 a.m. on 4 August, 6 x 122-mm field howitzers, 16 trucks carrying
billeting equipment _____

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_____ and an undetermined number of troops

wearing red-bordered black epaulets were entrained at the Neustrelitz railroad
station. The unit had come from the restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmannstrasse.

_____ 2 On 20 August, a column of 11 trucks, occupied by troops wearing
red-bordered black epaulets, towing 5 x 122-mm field howitzers _____

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_____ was seen entering the restricted
area. _____ the unit returned from a troop training
grounds. Between 20 and 22 August, an undetermined number of troops daily
received instruction on a 122-mm field howitzer and a 75.2-mm field gun.
Motor vehicles _____ were seen entering and leaving the
restricted area.

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3. On 4 August, 4 x 132-mm rocket launchers _____
and trucks _____

_____ from the Schlossgarten restricted area,

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were entrained. []² On 14 August, 10 rocket launchers were seen entering the restricted area and motor vehicles []

[] the unit, which had left on 4 August, had returned.² On 18 August, four trucks [] each towing a 37-mm AA gun, left the Schlossgarten restricted area toward Neubrandenburg. Another four trucks, including two towing 37-mm AA guns, went toward Neubrandenburg, coming from the direction of Zierkerstrasse.

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4. On 6 August, T-43 tanks [] were in the Neue Infanterie Kaserne and 90 troops with two heavy machine guns entered the installation, coming from the training area north of the installation. Motor vehicles seen en route to and from the installation []

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1. [] Comment. [] the unloading of shipment [], which had left Forst Zinna on 31 July. The shipment had arrived in the Jueterbog area [] on 27 July. It had been assumed that artillery units of the 9th Gds Tank Div conducted firing practices. The 76-mm field guns and the direction of departure toward Granzin tend to indicate that the unit belonged to the 2d Light Arty Prig (US) and had been stationed in a summer camp in the Speck-Granzin area since mid-April.

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2. [] Comment. On 4 August, elements of the 495th (?) Arty Regt (US) and the 126th Gds RL Bn of the 9th Gds Tank Div were loaded on trains [] and were dispatched to Jueterbog and/or Luckenwalde. Thus, the two units can definitely be confirmed in Neustrelitz until 4 August. [] did not observe the return on trains [] on 8 August. The assumption [] that the rocket launchers returned as late as 14 August is believed to be not correct; the 10 rocket launchers probably conducted exercises in the vicinity of the post.

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3. [] Comment. The information tends to indicate that the restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmannstrasse is occupied as previously by the 495th (?) Arty Regt (US); the restricted Schlossgarten area by the 121st (?) AAA Regt and the 126th Gds RL Bn; and the Neue Infanterie Kaserne by tank units of the 9th Gds Tank Div. Movements observed indicate that the areas west and northeast of the post were used as training areas of the division.

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